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FOR AMBASSADOR GATES FROM AMBASSADOR HODGSON

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OVIP (THOMAS GATES)

SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR GATES TRAVEL

1. REGARDING YOUR TOKYO STOPOVER, FSO NEIL SILVER WILL MEET YOUR PLANE AT YOKOTA AND ESCORT YOU TO THE RESIDENCE. WE HAVE ARRANGED A CALL ON VICE FOREIGN MINISTER SHOJI SATO FOR 1430 MAY 4. FOREIGN MINISTER MIYAZAWA, WHO HAD HOPED TO MEET YOU, WILL NOW BE OUT OF TOKYO, PRECLUDING A MEETING. WE ALSO PLAN A DISCUSSION WITH SMALL GROUP OF EMBASSY SENIOR OFFICERS AND CHINESE AFFAIRS OFFICERS FOR LATE MORNING MAY 4.

2. SONY CHAIRMAN MORITA IS EXTREMELY ANXIOUS TO RENEW HIS OLD FRIENDSHIP WITH YOU BUT WILL NOT RPT NOT RETURN FROM THE U.S. UNTIL AFTER MY LUNCHEON FOR YOU MAY 5. MORITA PROPOSES A DINNER FOR YOU AND MRS. GATES THE EVENING MAY 5. HE WILL ACCOMMODATE ANY TIMING, PLACE, ETC., ACCORDING TO YOUR DESIRES. EMPHASIZING IMPORTANCE HE ATTACHES TO SEEING YOU, HIS OFFICE TOLD US MORITA WOULD CHANGE HIS PLANS, IN ORDER TO MAKE THE LUNCH, IF YOU WOULD BE UNAVAILABLE IN THE EVENING. YOU WILL RECALL FROM MY FIRST CABLE THAT MARIA AND I ARE PREVIOUSLY ENGAGED ON THE EVENING OF THE 5TH. THEREFORE, NO CONFLICT WOULD ARISE IF YOU CHOOSE TO ACCEPT MORITA'S INVITATION. PLEASE ADVISE, IF POSSIBLE, BY RETURN CABLE.

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3. AGAIN WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD WITH PLEASURE TO YOUR VISIT.
HODGSON

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